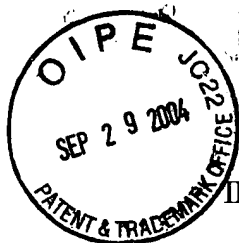


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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated 06/08/2004, please amend the above-identified application as shown below: